



Agenda

SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, September 17, 2014 - 5:30 p.m.

**Saul Room, Atrium Building, 3rd Floor
99 W. 10th Ave., Eugene**

Sustainability Commissioners: Shawn Boles, Howard Bonnett, Summer Cox, Joanne Gross, Dawn Lesley, Sasha Luftig, Steve Newcomb, Justin Overdevest, Howard Saxion, Carolyn Stein, David Tam, Sue Wolling and Alan Zelenka

Staff: Babe O'Sullivan, Matt McRae

	<u>Starting time</u>
1. Opening	5:30 p.m.
- Action item: review agenda	
- Action item: approve minutes of the July 16, 2014 and August 26, 2014 meetings	
2. Public comment	5:35 p.m.
3. Sub-committee reports	5:45 p.m.
- Action item: review and approval of FY 15 work plan items	
4. Liaison assignments for FY 15	6:30 p.m.
- Action item: review target organizations and make assignments	
5. BREAK	7:00 p.m.
6. FY 15 Work Plan – next steps	7:10 p.m.
- Discussion item: preparation for consultations with Mayor and City Manager	
- Discussion item: preparation for report to City Council	
7. Monthly commission meeting structure	7:30 p.m.
- Discussion item: proposed changes in meeting structure and format	
8. Closing: next meeting, other follow-up	8:00 p.m.
9. Orientation for new commissioners	8:05 p.m.

Next scheduled meeting of the Sustainability Commission will be October 15, 2014, in the Saul Room, Atrium Building.

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Sustainability Commission Community Liaisons FY 2014

What is the job of a community liaison?

- Share our work plan, look for connections
- Hear what they are interested in and carry back to Commission
- Strive for informal/frequent check-ins vs. formal/infrequent check-ins
- Fill in as a speaker on SC work and history as needed
- Share what other groups are doing of common interest, and surface opportunities to engage
- Meet at least quarterly and report out to the commission

Organization and contacts	Commissioner contact(s)
4J/ Bethel school districts	
Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)	Sasha Luftig, Howie Bonnett
BRING Recycling	Carolyn Stein
City of Springfield	Steve Newcomb
Eugene Chamber of Commerce	Carolyn Stein
Eugene City Council: George Poling George Brown Betty Taylor Alan Zelenka Mike Clark Claire Syrett Chris Pryor Greg Evans	Kathi Jaworski Shawn Boles Howie Bonnett Dawn Lesley Steve Newcomb Sue Wolling Paul Nielson Joanne Gross
EWEB	Steve Newcomb, Shawn Boles, Carolyn Stein
GreenLane Network	
Lane County (Administrator)	As needed
Lane Food Council	Joanne Gross
Lane Transit District	Sasha Luftig
NEDCO	Kathi Jaworski
Neighborhood associations: Downtown Bethel Santa Clara	Sue Wolling Joanne Gross Dawn Lesley

Fairmount Northeast Southeast Whitaker	Alan Zelenka Kathi Jaworski
Street Repair Review Panel	Howie Bonnett, Sue Wolling
University of Oregon: SCI, law school, 3PM dept. Sustainability Office and ENVS dept. Multicultural Center	
Willamette Farm and Food Coalition	Shawn Boles

EUGENE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION FY 15 WORK PLAN

October 2014

Introduction

The FY 14 work plan for the commission reflects several continuing priorities from previous years. The commission will focus on the implementation of Envision Eugene, paying particular attention to how the seven Pillars are reflected in any outcomes or actions taken. The city budget challenges are also an important area of focus. The commission will provide input and advocacy during the development of the FY 14 budget to raise the visibility and value of city sustainability efforts and the cost-effectiveness of climate action in particular.

The link between land use and transportation planning remains an important theme this year and a number of priority work plan items are related to the development of the Transportation System Plan. Similarly, the issue of a carbon fee continues to be a priority as the state legislature completes its study of the concept later this year. The commission is also focused on championing the use of the Triple Bottom Line, implementing climate action planning and generally monitoring progress toward the significant sustainability goals City Council has adopted in the last five years.

As the commission advances the work detailed in the attached work plan, it will be important to maintain flexibility to take up new or revised priorities. Some issues, such as food policy, the new City Hall or the carbon fee concept, may take on greater significance as opportunities and needs emerge at the local, state or federal level. Other changes in priorities may be dictated by budget considerations and constraints. The commission will work with Council to adjust its course as necessary to address these emerging priorities.

In formulating this year's priorities and activities, the commission relied on several overarching goals that inform their work and define success, including:

- Promote aspects of sustainability within the three areas of the Triple Bottom Line.
- Provide relevant, timely information to City Council.
- Have more organizations within the community working on sustainability in an intentional way.
- Have a mechanism for climate adaptation/mitigation work at County and regional levels.
- Maintain alignment with commitments the City of Eugene has made around sustainability.

Matrix

The matrix on the next page(s) includes the primary topics the commission plans to address in the coming year along with specific activities for advancing the commission's goals in these areas.

Sustainability Commission FY 15 Work Plan

Topic	Topic description	Outcomes	Planned activities	Timeline
Envision Eugene	Implementation of Envision Eugene's 7 pillars is important to the City's journey to Sustainability.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide Envision Eugene context to Council, Mayor, and City Manager on key decisions and actions2. Support Council, Mayor and City Manager in decisions and actions that are consistent with the 7 pillars of Envision Eugene	<p>1a. Meet frequently with Council, Mayor, and City Manager to identify relevant decisions and actions</p> <p>1b. Outreach to local stakeholder organizations</p> <p>1c. Have a presence at Envision Eugene meetings</p> <p>1d. Prepare talking points on decisions and actions as they arise</p> <p>1e. Explore benefits and structure of coordinating with the Planning Commission on Envision Eugene-related topics, which may include transit-oriented corridors, transportation, or other topics</p> <p>2a. Communicate (at Council's direction) with local stakeholder organizations</p> <p>2b. Recommend ways to mitigate impacts of Envision Eugene implementation</p>	<p>1a. Ongoing – minimum of six times per sub-committee member in FY 15</p> <p>1b. Ongoing – minimum of three per sub-committee member in FY 15</p> <p>1c. As needed</p> <p>1d. As needed</p> <p>1e. As appropriate</p> <p>2a. As directed by Council</p> <p>2b. As appropriate</p>
Climate Mitigation	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Carbon Fee (SB 306): SB 306 is an Oregon Legislature directed study to evaluate possible enactment of a carbon fee.2. Implementation of the City of Eugene Climate Recovery Ordinance (CRO)3. Carbon Offset Evaluation: Work with the University of Oregon OLIS Program to Assess Carbon Offset Programs	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Evaluate the finding of the SB306 and prepare recommendations for Eugene City Council consideration.2. Provide assistance to City staff on implementation of the CRO metrics integrated with Envision Eugene Pillar 7.3. Preparation of a Carbon Offset Assessment for Consideration by the Commission	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Review the draft Carbon Fee Assessment Study being prepared by Portland State University. Assess underlying assumptions and how they relate to Eugene's CRO. Meet with Oregon Legislators to discuss SB306's finding and recommendations and future legislation. Discuss the Assessment report with other organizations as part of the evaluation process. Develop recommendations for Commission review/approval. Submit Commission recommendations to the City Council for consideration.2. Collaborate with City staff in their development of CRO implementation strategies. Provide feedback to City staff on potential implementation approaches/ strategies.3. Continue discussions with OLIS faculty on the scope of the study, purpose, and need.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The draft Assessment report will be issued by December 1, 2014. Evaluation of the report will be completed by mid January with recommendations prepared for Commission review/approval.2. Work with City staff on the schedule.3. Work with the OLIS program to establish the schedule. The goal is for OLIS to complete a draft report by spring 2015.
Transportation System Plan (TSP) and Pedestrian/Bicycle Master Plan (PBMP)			<ol style="list-style-type: none">1.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2.

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Adaptation Planning	Consideration of climate change adaptation is important to incorporate into City planning and decisions.	1. Assist in communication of adaptation planning efforts that can inform the City of Eugene's active involvement in risk reduction, while offering co-benefits (e.g., economic development, greenhouse gas reductions, etc.) and complementing established efforts as part of the Climate Recovery Ordinance and Envision Eugene's Pillar 7.	1. Meet periodically with Council, Mayor, and City Manager to communicate opportunities for co-benefits to projects (i.e., risk reduction, energy independence, economic development, Climate Recovery Ordinance and GHG reductions, etc.) 2. Review the Hazard Mitigation report being prepared by City of Eugene and City of Springfield and identify opportunities to connect this project to community priorities and projects currently under development (e.g., City Hall building, EWEB watershed and water quality programs, LTD EMX extensions) 3. Meet with City staff following completion of the hazard mitigation plan and assist in identification and communication of potential adaptation implementation strategies. 4. Prepare talking points on decisions and actions as they arise	1. Ongoing – minimum of six times per sub-committee member in FY 15 2. Evaluate the report and assess how it may be applied to projects currently under development. 3. Work with City staff on the schedule. 4. As needed
Sustainable Economic Development	To create and develop strategic action items to promote the concept of Sustainable Economic Development between the city and businesses within Eugene and surrounding areas.	1. Provide Envision Eugene context to Council, Mayor, and City Manager on key decisions and actions 2. Review of Sustainable Business Initiative (SBI) 3. Address Food and Economic Development relationship	1a. Review and assess the relevance of the tool to the city of Eugene 1b. Have discussions and meetings to share our valuation with the City. 1c. Compare it against CEAP (Climate Energy Action Plan) 2a. Review the SBI and identify the successes 2b. Identify the action items to be yet addressed 2c. Create a plan to continue to push the SBI 3a. Establish a program to create a win/win scenario for the city and county 3b. Request to be active participants in the city council food task force 3c. Find an effective way to drive the food policy	As appropriate As appropriate As appropriate End of Q4 2014 End of Q4 2014 End of Q2 of 2015 As appropriate As directed by council As appropriate